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MEANS COAL RELIEF

U. S. CONTROL OF ROADS WILL SOLVE FUEL PROBLEM

ROADS REFUSED CARS

Would Not Allow Their Rolling Stock to Pass Onto Connecting Lines—Pools Motive Power, Too

Relief from further coal shortages in the southwest is seen in the announcement that the president would take over the rail lines, says the Kansas City Times. Coal operators representatives of the fuel administration and retailers agree that the centralization of authority over the transportation will eliminate the basic trouble in getting coal to consumers.

There has been an admitted shortage of rolling stock and motive power for handling coal traffic on southwestern lines. The car situation, it was asserted by fuel administration officials, was due in part to the refusal of roads to allow their cars to pass onto connecting lines. Federal control will end that, it was said.

A pooling of motive power also becomes possible now. Competitive trains will be done away with and the result will be motive power will be shifted wherever traffic demands, according to John Mayer, chairman of the fuel distribution committee of the Southwest Interstate Coal Operators' association.

"I do not expect to see a reserve supply of coal in any southwestern city," Mr. Mayer said, "but as the problem of providing coal is on a day to day basis the elimination of local rail disputes will go a long way towards alleviating suffering. I am convinced the mine production will be ample if we can get loaded cars moved. Hundreds of cars have been tied up at the mines, loaded, billed and ready for shipment, because rail lines reported they had not sufficient motive power."

The probable co-operation of the road administrator and the federal fuel head will result, priority orders being obeyed unquestionably, it was believed. Confiscation of coal will be discontinued except where absolutely necessary. When shipments are confiscated, coal to the city or town to which the shipment was destined will be rushed forward, Mr. Mayer believes.

PLAN ANNUAL BASKET DINNER

Next Sunday at the First Christian Church Will Be Reunion Day —To Elect New Officers

Certainly Mr. Hoover will not expect that there will be a strict adherence to his food rules and regulations next Sunday when the members of the First Christian church have their annual dinner and home-coming—and besides, wheatless and meatless days are not observed on Sunday.

Plans are being made for one of the largest gatherings of members of the church ever held, for there are plenty of other things to be done, including the election of new officers on the official board, the hearing of reports from every department of the church and Sunday school, and discussing plans for the coming year. It will be an all-day meeting and members of the church, their guests and friends will partake of the big dinner from baskets supplied by the members.

To Spend Winter In California.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Sturm will leave in the morning for Los Angeles and other California points. On their way they will stop in St. Joseph to visit their daughter, Mrs. J. J. Walsh, and in Oklahoma City with their son, C. Edward Sturm. Miss Clara Sturm will leave Sunday morning and will join her parents in Oklahoma City, and from there will go to California. They expect to be gone three months.

Farm Sells for $125 an Acre.

Del Beardsley sold his 127-acre farm south of Parnell to Albert Hubbell of Savannah for $125 an acre, or $17,125. The deal was made through L. C. Gooden & Son.

Ben McClain Wins Match.

In a boxing match at the Parnell opera house Tuesday evening Ben McClain of that town won over Harry Bloom of Minneapolis.

ECLIPSE OF MOON TONIGHT

Last of Year's Phenomena Occurs Early In the Morning — Will Be Visible Here

If you are late enough tonight, or if you are up early enough in the morning, say between two and five o'clock, you will witness a total eclipse of the moon.

The last of the seven eclipses of the sun and moon for the year 1917 will take place Friday morning, December 28, when there will be a total eclipse of the moon. The eclipse will occur between 1 and 5:30 in the morning, the middle being reached about 3:45 o'clock. The total eclipse will be of short duration, only about sixteen minutes.

There can be no greater number of eclipses than seven in one year, according to astronomers, and the year 1917 will have the maximum—three of the moon and four of the sun.

The year 1918 will see but three eclipses—two of the sun and one of the moon. There will be a total eclipse of the sun on June 8, visible to North America, the extreme northwestern corner of South America and northeastern part of Asia.

A partial eclipse of the moon, June 24, only the beginning will be visible to North America.

An annular eclipse of the sun will occur on December 3, invisible to the United States.

LEADS THE NATION

SOUTHWEST RED CROSS DISTRICT ADDS THREE MILLION

KANSAS BANNER STATE

Kansas City, With a Quota of 35,000, Gave 120,000 Memberships — Returns Still Coming In

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

St. Louis, Dec. 27. — The Southwestern Red Cross District which includes Missouri, leads the districts of the nations today. It has more than 3,080,000 members. Its quota was 1,162,000.

Returns continue to pour into the district headquarters here today. Subscriptions ranged from $1 to $20. Some district officials here predict 3,500,000 in this district.

Estimated returns on the states in the district follow: Missouri, 725,000; Kansas, 510,000; Arkansas, 255,000; Oklahoma, 775,000; Texas, 815,000—total, 3,060,000.

St. Mary's, Kansas, with a population of 1,181, over subscribed its population by seven, sending in 1188 memberships.

Kansas City, Mo., with a quota of 35,000 gave 120,000 memberships, representing one-third of the city's population. St. Louis exceeded its quota of 150,000 members by 50,000 approximately.

Kansas is the banner state in the district with 510,000 memberships, when its quota was 159,000.

A NEW YEAR'S WATCH PARTY

Members of Young People's Societies of Five Churches to Watch the Old Year Out

Representatives of the five young people's societies of the Protestant churches met yesterday evening at the First Christian church and made preliminary arrangements to give a watch party, Monday evening, December 31. The party will be held from 9 to 12 o'clock at the Christian church. Miss Marjorie Wilfley is the chairman of the committee, which has charge of the party. There will be no admission charges, and all the young people are urged to attend.

CLEANING UP BUILDING

Quarters of New Business University Undergoing Renovating

The prospects for the opening of the Business University in the old Maryville Business College quarters on January 2 are very bright for a good enrollment from the opening.

President Padgett and Miss Anna Mae Herfel, principal of the school, have been very busy day and night since they arrived Monday giving out information and answering questions.

The building is being given a thorough renovating and will present a very business-like appearance by the opening day. The office is open today and will be open tonight as well as the remainder of the week and until the opening on the 2nd.

DRAFT BOARD BUSY

QUESTIONNAIRES RETURNED MUST BE GONE OVER CAREFULLY

MAIL OUT CLASS CARDS

Will be at Least Two Weeks Before All the Questionnaires Have Been Mailed to the Registrants

Over 1,300 questionnaires have been sent out by the local draft board, with nearly 1,000 more yet to be mailed. The question books are being returned at the rate of over a hundred a day and the board is making classification as fast as possible and mailing classification cards to the registrants who have returned correctly filled out lists.

From the great volume of work to be done the progress of the board is necessarily slow, as some papers have to be returned and all sorts of interruptions occur, most of them being occasioned by registrants who want to be certain that their papers are correctly filled out.

Members of the legal advisory board are also being hard put to, to aid all who seek their advice and aid, but none of the registrants is turned away. Every one is given the advice sought and shown how to fill the questionnaire correctly.

It will be at least two weeks before all the questionnaires have been mailed to the remaining registrants and additional time will be required to make the final classifications.

DEATH OF PERRY W. CASSEL

Former Nodaway Resident Survives His Wife But Six Weeks—Returned Here for Medical Treatment

Perry W. Cassel of Steele City, Nebr., died at the home of his sons, Clyde and Harley Cassel, five miles north of Maryville, this morning at 9:20 o'clock. Mr. Cassel came here about a week ago for medical treatment. The cause of his death was kidney trouble and pneumonia.

The remains will be taken to Norton, Kans., Friday, where funeral and burial services will be held.

Mr. Cassel was 68 years old and was born in Crawfordsville, Ind. He was a resident of this county about 35 years and left here and located in Norton, Kans., where he lived for 25 years. From Norton he moved to Jefferson county, Nebr., and was a resident there for eight years.

His wife died about six weeks ago. He is survived by four sons and three daughters, Harley and Clyde Cassel of near Maryville; James Cassel of Norton, Kans.; Perry Cassell of Co. A. 134th Infantry at Camp Cody, N. Mex.; Mrs. Clarence Darlin of Steele City, Nebr.; Mrs. Frank Drake and Mrs. M. L. Inman of Norton, Kans. One brother and five sisters also survive. They are George Cassel of Hopkins; Mrs. Lodell Bishop of Elmo; Mrs. Frank Holbrook and Mrs. Ike Holbrook of Braddyville, Ia.; Mrs Sam McCombs of College Springs, Ia., and Mrs. Rosa Cook of Chicago.

CLOSE CALL FOR THE KIASER

His Train to Leave Mannheim Station Was Bombed by the British on Christmas Eve

Geneva, Dec. 27.—The German emperor, returning with his staff from the Verdun front, had a narrow escape in the reprisal raid of a British air squadron on Mannheim, Christmas Eve, according to a dispatch from Basel. Only about an hour earlier the emperor's special train left the station, which was partly destroyed by several bombs. A section of the tracks was torn up, cutting communication north.

In fact, the emperor's train was the last to leave Mannheim, and no trains arrived at Basel yesterday from that city. Two bombs fell on the palace and one on the suspension bridge across the Neckar river, both structures being badly damaged. An ammunition factory in the northern suburb was blown up. Few persons were killed here, however, as the employees were having a holiday. A considerable number of persons were killed or injured within the town and several were blown into the Rhine.

PROVED ITS WORTH

VITALIZED AGRICULTURE IN RURAL SCHOOLS TO STAY

PROF. COOPER'S REPORT

County Superintendent Says That It Is Vitalized Teaching — Some Tests in War Bread Making

County Superintendent Bert Cooper, in his report to State Superintendent Uel Lamkin, says that vitalized agriculture, the new method of study introduced in five rural schools in Nodaway county, should more rightly be called vitalized teaching, for it vitalizes not only agriculture, but every subject in the course.

Superintendent Cooper's report, in part, is as follows:

"We are more than pleased with the four months' experience we have had in teaching by the new rural school idea suggested and put out by P. G. Holden of the International Harvester company. It ought not be called Vitalized Agriculture, but Vitalized Teaching, for it vitalizes not only agriculture, but every subject in the course. Arithmetic is made so real and practical that the heretofore weakest pupil is delighted with it; in fact, he don't think he is studying arithmetic, for he studies it when he finds a need for its application; that is, he goes to the book and looks up the principle when he needs to apply it to the work in hand. When he looks it up that way he does not need to learn it, for he knows it and never forgets it. Grammar and language is studied in the same way. When a pupil can't express himself in his report to the class so that they can clearly understand what he means, the teacher and the pupils assist him

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President Wilson

Is Sixty-One To-Morrow

A Lifelong Devotee of Sports

Washington, Dec. 27.—Because he wears spectacles, writes classic messages to congress and has been president of a university, many people imagine that President Wilson is a hopeless high-brow and without "red gore" in his veins or sporting instincts. Such persons will have to guess again. The eminent occupant of the White House, who will celebrate his sixty-first birthday tomorrow, is a "fan" in regard to all outdoor sports. Anybody who labors under the misconception that the President is what one of his eminent predecessors would call a "molly-coddle" had better revise his opinion. In his youth, when he was assimilating learning and lore at Davison College, Princeton and the University of Virginia, "Tommy" Wilson was to be found right out there flinging the pill over the pan and indulging in other sports popular among college undergraduates. It was in base ball that the future president of the United States was most proficient. As an athlete he was stronger on brain than on brawn, and the diamond pastime, in which rapidity of action of mind and muscles is more important than mere strength, naturally appealed to him. He is now a golf enthusiast. He is still an ardent fan, and attends every ball game in Washington when the affairs of state permit. Naturally a little reserved in his demeanor, on the ball field he proceeds to "gorge it," and roots as heartily as the next man. The president has declared that he will not consider hi sadministration an entire success unless Washington wins a pennant and a world's flag before he quits the White House. It looks as though he were due for a very long stay in the capital.

READY FOR PEACE

CENTRAL POWERS FAVOR ONE FOR ALL NATIONS

INDEMNITIES ARE BARRED

Count Czernin, Austro-German Foreign Minister, Makes Statement to Russian Delegates

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Dec. 27.—The state department is without any confirmation of the reported new peace offer by the central powers. Only press dispatches have been received, all of them coming from Swedish-Russia points, and stating that at the peace conference at Brest Litouak yesterday Count Czernin, the Austro-German foreign minister, made a statement to the Russian delegates announcing that the central powers were ready immediately to conclude peace with all nations on the basis that there would be no forcible annexations and indemnities.

Copenhagen, Dec. 27.—Although the Bolsheviki government in Russia is reported to be waning, the delegates appointed to negotiate a separate peace with the central powers are going ahead with their work with all possible speed. In view of the conflicting reports received here during the past forty-eight hours, the real status of the peace parley is not plain, and according to one report, the Russians have served an ultimatum on the Germans calling for an immediate reply.

The Hague, Dec. 27.—Count Czernin the Austro-German foreign minister, according to information received here, spoke on the authority of both the kaiser and the emperor of Austria regarding peace.

Stockholm, Dec. 27. — A wireless message evidently sent out by Petrograd, and picked up here today, stated that the Central Powers had accepted the principal peace terms of the Bolsheviki government.

CONFESSED TO THEFT

Clifford White Pleaded Guilty and Was Given Year's Jail Sentence

Clifford White, arrested about a week ago charged with the theft of some bridge tools, was arraigned before Judge John M. Dawson in circuit court yesterday and pleaded guilty to the charge. He was given the maximum punishment under the law, a year's imprisonment and a fine of $10. The tools stolen were valued at $15.

HELD SMITH WILL VALID

Walter and Sibbie Garrard Sought to Obtain Part Willed to J. J. Enis

In circuit court yesterday Judge John M. Dawson, after hearing the evidence in the Henry A. Smith will case, decided the will was valid. The hearing was the result of a contest by Walter and Sibbie Garrard. Smith, who was a bachelor living at Clyde, divided his property between Walter Garrard and Jos. J. Enis. The Garrards contested the validity of the document and sought to obtain the part willed to Enis.

SEND SOLDIERS' BUDGETS

Myrtle Tree Pupils and Teacher Collected a Fund of $5.60.

To show their patriotism and Christmas spirit and to do their part in helping make some Sammie in France comfortable, the pupils and teacher of Myrtle Tree school took up a collection of $5.60 on Christmas with which they fitted out two budgets containing tooth paste and brush, shaving soap and brush, pocket comb, inhalers, candy and chewing gum. They were among the first to send a budget and are anxious to hear from the one who receives it.

Tried Air Raids on Americans.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

With the American Army in France, Dec. 27.—German airmen tried to bomb the American camp last night, but were driven off before they reached their destination. This was the first time the Germans had tried an air attack on the Americans. The men accepted the incident with the utmost calmness.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Singleton of Burlington Junction are guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Barrett, 616 North Fillmore street.

NATION IS GLAD WILSON TOOK OVER CONTROL OF RAILROADS

IS THE GREATEST SINGLE STEP TOWARDS WINNING THE WAR SINCE THE CONSCRIPTION ACT, OFFICIALS WASHINGTON BELIEVES

SUITS WALL STREET

TELEGRAMS OF CONGRATULATION POUR INTO WHITE HOUSE ALL DAY

RAILROAD STOCKS SOAR

Biggest General Advance in the History of the New York Stock Exchange in Today's Trading

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Washington, Dec. 27. — President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo conferred today over the arrangements and the final details for the taking over tomorrow of the railroads of the nation, following President Wilson's action of yesterday evening.

Administration officials declared they are highly pleased with the manner in which the country takes action. Congratulatory telegrams have been pouring into the White House all day from all over the nation and Wall Street appears to be gratified that the order was made.

The greatest single step towards winning the war, with the exception of the general conscription of men, was the verdict official Washington today placed on President Wilson's action of taking over the railroads of the nation.

New York, Dec. 27. — What was characterized as the most sensational general advance in railroad securities in the histor yof the New York Stock Exchange marked the first thirty minutes of trading today. The violent gains resulted from the government control of the railroads of the nation. Prices rose from two to eighteen points.

Washington, Dec. 27. — President Wilson announced last night that he will assume possession and operation of every railroad on the continent of the United States at noon, Friday, December 27, and that he had appointed Secretary McAdoo director-general of railroads.

Secretary McAdoo, whose appointment is made by formal proclamation, is expected to direct the unification and operation of the roads through their present managements. He will retain his place in the cabinet as secretary of the treasury.

In a statement accompanying his proclamation, the president announced that when congress reassembled he would ask definite guarantees be given that the railroad properties will be maintained in as good repair and as complete equipment as when taken over, and that the net operating income in each case shall equal the average net operating income of the three years preceding June 30, 1917.

The railroads will be taken over under war authority already granted by congress through the secretary of war.

Government backing will be given to new issues of railroad securities that a ready market may be found.

Came as Great Surprise.

The president's move, although forecast for weeks, came at this time as a great surprise to nearly everybody in Washington, including railroad officials. It had been generally believed that he would await the reassembling of congress before taking any step. He acted through Secretary of War Baker under authority conferred in the Appropriation Act.

Direct management of the roads will remain in the hands of railroad officials, and the railroads' war board, comprised of five railroad heads, will continue to direct actual operation under Secretary McAdoo's general supervision.

To Bring Complete Unification.

The chief practical effect of government operation will be to permit a complete unification of all rail systems, impossible under private operation by reason of statutes prohibiting pooling of rail traffic and earnings. The roads themselves had gone as far as they dared in this direction and it became known only today that they had been warned by Attorney General Gregory that a violation of the anti-pooling laws could not be permitted.

This situation was fully realized by President Wilson who, in his statement, declared the roads had gone as far as they could and that already some systems were endangering their earnings in attempting unification.

Although the proclamation applies to all electric lines engaged in general transportation, local interurban systems are specifically exempted.

U. S. TROOPS INTO MEXICO.

Crossed Rio Grande in Pursuit of Bandits Who Raided Ranch.

Marfa, Tex., Dec. 26.—United States troops crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico late today in pursuit of the bandits who raided the Brite ranch-house Christmas morning and killed Michael Welch, the United States mail carrier, and two Mexican passengers in the mail car. The report of the crossing, which reached Col. George T. Langhorne, in command here tonight, said one American soldier and an unknown number of Mexicans had been killed in a running fight.

ANOTHER COLD WAVE DUE.

Weather Bureau Sends Out Warning of Freezing Weather by Friday a. m.

The local weather bureau sent out a cold wave warning this afternoon, advising that there was expected a sudden drop in temperature that would reach its lowest point early Friday morning. There is no forecast of snow, the general report being for fair skies.

THE WEATHER

Unsettled and colder tonight; cold wave in the northwest and extreme northeast portions. Friday partly cloudy and colder.

Feature Tonight

Empire Theatre

5 and 11 cents

Paramount Pictures, with Vivian Martin

Maryville's Versatile Favorite, in

Giving Becky a Chance

A clever story full of veiled hints for young girls.

Tomorrow—"THE BURGLAR."

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Change of Address.

In requesting the change of address of your paper, be sure to give old address as well as the new.

A U. S. VOLUNTEER.

I'm just an everyday soldier, friends,
And I've been here just one year;
But of this one thing I'm certainly proud—
I'm a U. S. Volunteer.

When we left our home in Ohio,
And the folks we love so dear,
A cheer went up from the gathering throng
For the U. S. Volunteer.

But it seems to me at present
That the people from far and near
Are giving a hand to the drafted man
And forgetting the Volunteer.

The papers say they select them,
But of papers we have nothing to fear;
For Uncle Sam will be a friend
To the U. S. Volunteer.

But none of us are kicking—
But it does seem mighty queer
That the credit goes to the drafted man
And none to the Volunteer.

But when we cross the ocean,
And the slaughtering Hun draws near,
'Twill be a safe bet that the man in front
Is a U. S. Volunteer.

I oftimes read the papers,
But they always seem to sneer,
And give a column to the drafted man
And none to the Volunteer.

But when I grow old and feeble,
And the end is drawing near,
With pride I'll look back yonder
On my youth, as a Volunteer.

So take this tip from me, friends;
Don't wait till the end is here;
Don't wait till you have been drafted;
Be a U. S. Volunteer.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

Following is a list of the letters remaining unclaimed in the Maryville Mo., postoffice for the week ending Wednesday, December 26, 1917.

Men.

Chandler, J. P.
Combs, William
Crossin, George
McMullen, Geo. H.
O'Dell, Dr. T. T.
Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Pierce

Women.

Buzard, Mrs. Mamie
Degme, Miss Gladis
McCurry, Mrs. S. D.
Norris, Miss Katherine
Strawn, Mrs. Ople
Williams, Mrs. Hazle

Miscellaneous.

1461, Maryville, Mo.

Persons calling for the above named letters will please say "advertised." Respectfully,

JAMES TODD, Postmaster.

WANTED — Baled hay and straw, good corn or oats. Wm. Everhart.

ENLISTS TO GET REVENGE.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Iuka, Miss., Dec. 27. — To avenge the death of Admiral Craddock, of the British navy, who went down with his flagship, Good Hope, off the coast of Chile in 1914, before a superior German enemy, Frank Culver Craddock, a distant relative of the Admiral, has enlisted in the United States navy.

POLK TOWNSHIP SUBSCRIBERS TO RED CROSS

These gave $10—Mrs. Virgil Keene.

These gave $5.00—Ralph Marcell, Mrs. Mary Parcher.

These gave $4.00 — Claude LaRue Peter.

These gave $2.50—Anderson, Ada Albert, Edna Bonewitz, Ed Buck, T. S. Butts, Mrs. Joe Baumley, Mrs. Wm. Blackford, James Belcher, Ernest Bainum, A. J. Coffield, Albert Carr, Mrs. Claude Davidson, T. T. Dickerson, W. J. Dempsey, G. L. Epperson, Rosella Frazee, Mrs. E. T. Foley, J. A. Fuller, Mrs. C. C. Graves, F. B. Goodspeed, H. W. Hull, John Hoshor, C. C. Hellmers, Mrs. C. C. Leeson, Harry M. Lyle, Jr., Roy Lippman, Mrs. Geo. Masters, Mrs. Sidney Masters, Mrs. W. F. Mercer, Cleo Mitchell, Catherine McKibben, Mrs. Alva Neuens, Mrs. G. A. Nash, Eugene Ogden, O. E. Patterson, Marvin Peery, Mrs. C. T. Porter, Mabel Riffle, T. F. Reimer, Mrs. E. S. Shupe, Amos Sprecher, J. C. F. Taylor, Mrs. Mary Thompson, L. G. Upshulte, Mrs. Ira Williams, Mrs. J. B. Whitehead, Wm. B. Whitney, Albert Watson.

These gave $1.00 — John Airy, John Appleby, Ira K. Alderman, Addie Anderson, John Anderson, Mrs. John Anderson, S. A. Auffert, O. M. Anderson, Clint Adams, Mrs. Clint Adams, Nevada Armstrong, William Armstrong, Mabel Angell, Mrs. A. D. Arnett, James Armstrong, E. N. Alcorn, Mrs. C. A. Auten, Golda Auten, Mrs. R. G. Allen, Rosa Anderson, Geo. Anderson, Florence Brumbaugh, E. P. Blain, Clark Bancroft, J. W. Blagg, Mary Baker, Mrs. Alice Broyles, C. A. Broyles, Katherine Broyles, Mrs. Geo. B. Baker, Jean Bratcher, Miss Jessie Bent, Mrs. W. A. Blagg, R. H. Besco, Mrs. Fay Bellows, Mrs. J. E. Bailey, L. S. Byers, J. B. Brummitt, Mrs. Laura Bisco, Mrs. Chas. Barrow, Clyde Bliss, H. G. Barton, Mrs. W. T. Boatwright, Edna Boatwright, W. T. Boatwright, R. R. Brown, June Blagg, Bertha Beal, Laura Beal, Esther Busby, Dick Bland, Paul Buhler, Chas. Buhler, Martin H. Borrusch, Martin Paul Borrusch, Virgil R. Borrusch, H. A. Black, Mrs. Anna Byers, Fred Bellows, Mrs. Ernest Bainum, Geo. Barmann, Joseph Brant, Mildred Bainum, Geo. Ellis Bainum, Mrs. John Burch, Marion Beckwith, John Brewin, Henry Brewin, Chas. Carmichael, A. E. Cockayne, Mrs. Omer Catterson, Marion Catterson, Thomas Cunningham, Al. Carr, C. E. Coulter, Viva Cloud, Mrs. Mary Costello, Mrs. Fred Curfman, Prof. T. H. Cook, Mrs. T. H. Cook, Mrs. Ed Cassell, E. J. Cunningham, Mrs. Hal Catterson, Marve Curnutt, B. E. Condon, Mrs. Arch Carter Mrs. K. C. Cummins, Orville C. Carmichael, Mrs. Alice K. Cook, Mrs. Iva Ernest Coler, J. L. Charles, Mrs. L. Carmichael, Mrs. Solon Clark, C. T. Carmichael, B. C. Clayton, Hany Clayton, Thurman Carmichael, J. W. Campbell, Jessie Clayton, Mrs. B. C. Clayton, Nellie Clayton, Mrs. Albert Carr, Ora Carr, Allene Carr, Gaylord Dilts, Mrs. Calista Dawson, Mrs. W. A. Dawson, E. M. Dragoo, J. M. Dawson, T. K. Daniels, S. C. Davis, Mrs. W. Dempsey, Wm. Dryer, Mrs. Chas. Deneen, Helen Dean, Mrs. J. V. Embree, Mrs. J. H. Eckles, Ora Eckles, Euphania H. Embree, Geo. Eisenman W. G. 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Hellmers, Jr., Bettie Hellmers, Mrs. G. B. Holmes, Mrs. Sadie Hardisty, Rodney F. Hamblin, Maude M. Hamblin, Howard Hise, Wm. Hughes, Roy Hitchcock, Geo. Hantz, Prof. E. L. Harrington, Fred Hainline, Nellie Halasy, Mrs. J. H. Hanna, Claire Hanna, Effie Hanna, J. H. Hanna, Mrs. Wm. Hitchcock, Wm. Hitchcock, Lois Halley, Ina Hollewell, Mrs. Guy Haller, Guy Haller, M. L. Hopper, Mrs. M. L. Hopper, Edison Hanna, Ethelyn Hanna, Mrs. Chas. Hollensby, Chas. Hollensby, Edith Hanna, Brice Hall, J. W. Hudgins, T. C. Hill, Chas. Irwin, James Irby, Mrs. C. P. Ingerson, C. P. Ingerson, Leroy Johnson, Mrs. Raymond T. Jones, Raymond T. Jones, Mrs. C. E. Jones, Mrs. Wm. Job, Mrs. W. W. Jones, Mrs. Chas. S. Jackson, Frank Jackson, Ralph C. Jamison, Mrs. Sue Jamison, Fred Jamison, J. Joyce, Henry F. Jaeger, Clarence Jones, A. L. Kelly, Roy McKensie, Mamie Kane, Earl Kissinger, Mrs. John Kane, Ida B. Kidder, Bert Kelly, Claire Kidder, Rex Kidder, A. P. Kidder, F. C. Kelley, Mrs. F. C. Kelley, Mrs. H. H. 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Home Talent Play at Hopkins.

The Hopkins band, assisted by Mrs. Luke Brown and others, will put on a good home talent play in the near future, which promises to be a great treat, says the Journal.

The members of the band are William Grammar, solo cornet and director; Brice Florea and Lloyd Foreman, first cornet; Charles Gray, clarinet; Fay Whitney and Harry Davis, alto; William McDonald and Doc. Ellis, trombone; Frank Litsch, baritone, William Aiken, tuba; William Herbert and Harry Bollinger, drums.

Rebellion In Hell.

Big sparks flew from Satan's eyes. "What's this I hear?" said he. "They say that when the kaiser dies he'll be consigned to me. Old hell to me is very dear; the place is very fine; but if they send that guy down here, believe me, I'll resign. I'll stand for murderers and crooks, and I'll not disown that I have now, here on my books, the worst thugs ever known. But my boys would get sore, I fear. I know they would rebel. The Kaiser cannot enter here, for he would corrupt hell. Our sulphur is too clean for him; our brimstone lake too pure; and if in one he'd take a swim, he'd ruin it, I am sure. Our company is rot so swell; vile beasts we won't reject. But keep the kaiser out of hell We have SOME self-respect."

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Government Is Training Hundreds of Airedales and Homing Birds at Camp Funston

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Camp Funston, Kan., Dec. 27.—Like the famous Missouri army mule, hundreds of Belgian homing pigeons and Airedale dogs, in the government kennels here, are going to play a part in the world's greatest war.

Like the wireless and the wig-wag, these dogs and pigeons are part of the equipment of Maj. John F. Franklin's signal battalion and they are being trained to act as liaisen agents for the Eighty-Ninth division.

Pigeons have been found to be valuable as messengers in Europe because of their speed and because they are high fliers and are capable of making flights of from 350 to 450 miles. They are often used from airplanes to take maps and other information obtained by the fliers.

Airedales have been selected as army messengers because of their general intelligence and their fighting quality and because they are less apt than any other breed of dogs, to make friends with strangers.

Doctors Quit Handling Drugs.

The physicians of Hopkins have announced that on account of expecting a call to service and the prevailing high price of drugs, they have decided to discontinue dispensing medicines, and instead will examine their patients and prescribe only. The physicians have disposed of their stocks of drugs to local drug stores.

To Address Parent-Teachers.

Prof. C. A. Hawkins and Prof. T. H. Cook of the Normal faculty will address the Skidmore Parent-Teachers association at their meeting Tuesday night, January 1.

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SOUTHERN PLANTERS TO REAP BENEFIT BY SNOW

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 27.—Planters will benefit to the extent of many thousands of dollars as a result of the snow line extending far into the South this winter. Agricultural experts contend that where land is covered with snow during the winter months it is more productive the following summer. Freezing weather has extended to the Gulf coast and snow has fallen to the depth of several inches over most of the Southern states.

Bunny to Do His Bit.

Hutchinson, Kans., Dec. 27.—Kansas negroes who are fortunate enough to go against the Boches will all have the famous darkey charm, the left hind foot of a rabbit, to keep them safe from the Teuton bullets. K. C. (Kroon) Beck, well known Kansas naturalist and "rabbit king" of Kansas, has agreed to furnish every negro drafted man in the state a rabbit foot.

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Dinner at Wells Home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Edwin Wells and Miss Mabel Wells will have as dinner guests tonight, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wadley and Mr. Roy Curfman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Lyle entertained at Christmas dinner Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Otis McNeal, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hart and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver McNeal and sons, Oliver Jr., and L. J. McNeal.

Gave Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Lowry of West Seventh street entertained at Christmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Lawry, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Morehouse of Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Baker of Des Moines.

Elks New Year's Party.

A New Year's party will be held at the Elks Club on Monday night, December 31, with cards, dancing and a dinner. The committee is composed of Mareus T. Nielsen, Clarence Vogt and Edgar Rhoades.

Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace gave a goose dinner at their home Christmas. The guests, who were relatives, included: Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mutz and son, Walter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green and sons, Harold and Eldon, Frank Wallace, Oat Wallace and Howard Hitchcock.

Family Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Roach, living north of Maryville, entertained at Christmas dinner: Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Jones of Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simerly and sons, Roach and Myron, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roach and children of Bedison, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hiles and Fred Hiles of Burlington Junction.

Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Fanning entertained with a Christmas dinner at their home ten miles northwest of the city the following guests: Mrs. Guy Griffith and little son, Dale Edward, q/y Fairligh, Canada, Mr. and Mrs. Ibe Rasco and daughter, Cletta of Guilford, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McDermitt and daughter, Marie and son, Paul.

A Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Shelton entertained the following guests at a turkey dinner and Christmas tree, Tuesday: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Job, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Shell, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Job, Misses Pauline Thompson, Esther Hammond, Helen Marjorie Job, Georgia ard Martha Shelton; Messrs. Eldon Job, Emory and Amos Shell, Ben Malam, Raymond Job, Kenneth, Shelton, and Wilson Thompson, Truman and Wm. Shelton.

Dinner With Mrs. McKee.

Mrs. Mollie McKee entertained at her home three miles east of Pickering with a goose roast Christmas day the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. John Lock, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Swaney, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Gray, Mrs. Mary Anderson, Mr. Delmar Strong, Lula and Gracie Anderson, Lois and Ferne McKee, Cecil Porterfield, Mary Pistole, Hubert and Lester Swaney, Ruby Gray, Lucile and Harland Strong, Pauline Lock, Fay, Claude, Raymond and Roy McKee.

For Miss Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cockayne entertained at Christmas dinner in honor of their daughter, Miss Lida Wilson, of Lincoln, Nebr. Plates were laid for Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Gingrich, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cockayne, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cockayne, Mrs. Will Heflin, Maye McGinness, Gladis Carter, Ada Gingrich, Pearl Booth, Alta Doyle, Vida Wilson, Virgil and Cecil Grooms, Lester Booth, R. T. Hughbanks, Walter and Arthur Wilson, Drexel Hoy, Ivan, Theodore and Vilas Cockayne.

In Honor of Son.

I. N. Middleton entertained at Christmas dinner for his son, Claude Middleton, who is home on a furlough from Fort Sheridan, Ill. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. James McMullen and children of Hopkins, A. R. Middleton and son, Frank, Mrs. Pearl McKinney and daughter, Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Middleton and Miss Ruby Middleton.

Entertains Friends.

Charlotte Hope Whelchel entertained a number of her friends this afternoon at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Thana Hope. Dominoes and hearts were played and the little hostess was assisted by her aunt, Miss Fannie Hope. The guests were Margaret Louise Hosmer, Evelyn and Mabel Raines, Lota Claire Landfather, Ethel and Edith Wallace, Ruth Miller, Ora May Condon, Helen and Gladys Dragoo, Loraine Hartley, Lona Gilbert, Pauline Eckert, Roberta Cook and Josephine Miller.

A Family Reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Norris of Barnard entertained with a family reunion and Christmas dinner Tuesday. The following guests and relatives were present: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bain and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schoonover and family of Pickering, Mrs. Dean Norris and children, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norris and son, and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Dobbins and baby of Arkoe.

Dinner at Evans Home.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Evans entertained at Christmas dinner the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. David F. Angell, Mrs. J. S. Miller, Vera Mae Dorman, Dean Dorman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller, Miss Mary Angell, Dr. and Mrs. I. D. Miller and daughter, Genevieve, of Kansas City.

For Lieutenant Braniger.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Braniger gave a dinner Christmas day for their son, Lieut. Earl C. Braniger, on furlough from Camp Dodge, Ia. Other guests were: Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Price and daughter, Miss Matie, Messrs. Clun, Harry and John Price, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Price and daughter, Marie, Mrs. George Howlett and daughter, Dorothy, of Seattle, Wash., Miss Mattie Clayton of Grant City.

For Kansas City Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. David F. Angell and daughter, Miss Mary Angell, entertained at dinner today for Dr. and Mrs. I. D. Miller and daughter, Genevieve, of Kansas City. Additional guests were: Mrs. J. S. Miller, Vera Mae Dorman, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Miller, Dean Dorman, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Evans and children, Kenneth and Evelyn, and Miss Dollie Todd.

Entertained at Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy of Parnell had the following guests for Christmas dinner: Mrs. H. A. Sutter and daughter, May, of St. Joseph, Mrs. O. K. Herndon and son, Adolph, of Kansas City, Mrs. A. G. Wright of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Kennedy and son, Marshall, of Parnell.

For Chicago Guests.

Mrs. M. J. Honnold and Mrs. George P. Bellows gave a family dinner at their home Christmas day in honor of Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Honnold and daughters, Mary Josephine and Virginia of Chicago. Additional guests were: Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brink, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Hosmer and daughter Margaret Louise and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Honnold Bellows and daughter, Helen Marie.

Christmas at "The Homestead."

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davenport entertained at their country home at "The Homestead" on Christmas day with a turkey dinner. Covers were laid for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Yates, Mr. and Mrs. Elihu Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Logan, Hiram Logan, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wells, Mrs. Harriet Davenport, Miss May Doran, Eveline Logan, Edna Davenport, Logan and Wilson Carter and Douglas Wells.

Entertained at Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cox entertained all of their children at Christmas dinner. It was the first time they all had been together in fifteen years. The children present were: Dr. J. L. Cox of St. Joseph, Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Cox and children, Emma Frances, Viola, Anna Belle Lee and Clarence Miller Cox of Fairfax, Mrs. F. W. Miller and daughter, Calista May of Maryville, Colonel B. Cox, formerly of the U. S. navy, Mr. and Mrs. E. Ross Cox and children, Helen Virginia and John B. Jr. of Fargo, N. D., Mrs. Rhetta Cox Nichols and children, Emma Pauline and Ross Frank of Maryville, and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Conaway of Graham.

West End Club.

Miss Lula May Curfman was hostess to the West End Club last night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curfman, on West First street. Game favors were won by Alice Peery and Paul Miller and consolation prizes went to Ruth Miller and Dean Partridge. The guests included: Margaret Remus, Mary Condon, Ruth Miller, Mabel Cook, Alice Peery, Ruth Houchens, Marion Sanders, Mary Josephine Honnold of Chicago, Ora May Condon, Marie Cloud, Vilas Awalt, Russell Allan, Paul Miller, Simeon Wright, John Costello, Dean Partridge, Ralph Owen of Independence, Mo., Ray Hull, Chilton Robinson, Paul Pickens, Harold Houchens.

THEIR "MAIDEN" ENGLISH

"The Spiker," Edited by 18th Engineers, Comments on Heart Throbs of French Maidens

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

New York, Dec. 27.—Our "esteemed contemporary, The Spiker, edited by the Eighteenth Engineers Railway, U. S. A. E. F., in its sixth edition carries some French heart throbs painstakingly converted into elementary English by French maidens, evidently hard hit by the romance of transatlantic khaki and United States soldiery.

Rivalling the "soldier French" of the American troops, a few of the letters are masterpieces of grammar in comparison with some of the efforts in French of the Yankees in reply. A great many of Pershing's worthys carry some missives as the following in their breast pockets:

My very dear Harry,

We have leave your friends at four o'clock and We have say to them of to come tomorrow night with you and we will drink chocolate with cake and butter together. After eat and drink we will do "musique" and "dance." I thank you for the little word you have send by M———. I should have been much happy if you came afternoon. I no like your Captain because he catch you for himself. I am very happy when you are close to me, because I love you too much. Do you have confidence in me. You tell me tomorrow night. I wait you tomorrow night and hope you come in better health. I send a very good kiss to you as so love you.

Well, your little friend.

Alan V. Mercer, first class private of Company F, and Floyd M. Gramps, bugler of the same company, have found their Kismet across the seas in France.

The Spiker functions here again. The vent of the merry moods of the boys, it also serves as a vehicle for men to express some sense of their loss of two fine comrades.

"Spiker, En Avant!"

CONVERTS BUNGALOW INTO HOME FOR BIRDS

Los Angeles. Dec. 27.—James Henning of this city likes birds so well and claims that his understanding of them is so much more perfect than it is of the ways of man that he removed all the furniture from his bungalow at 1167 Leighton avenue to make room for a permanent home for over 1,000 members of the feathered tribe.

Birds of common and rare species, including parrots, free to fly and in cages, today occupy every room in Henning's house with the exception of the kitchen. Perches, branches of trees and railings have replaced the chairs, tables, bureaus and couches and, where paintings hung, nests now adorn the walls.

Henning retained just one piece of furniture—a small mahogany table for his pipe and tobacco—but his bed he gave up in favor of a hammock swung between folding doors connecting the two large rooms where most of his feathered friends are housed.

WANTED — Baled hay and straw, good corn or oats. Wm. Everhart.

CHINESE PREPARE TO SEND FORCE TO FRANCE

Tokio, Dec. 27.—China has decided upon four measures regarding the expedition of troops to Europe, according to word from Peking. They are. That the funds for the purchase of a uniform, pattern of arms for the expeditionary force and the expenditure for their transportation shall be raised from the loan now under negotiation from Japan.

The second measure is that the British and French governments shall be requested to give transportation facilities for conveying the Chinese expeditionary force to Europe. Funds for the maintenance of the force in Europe shall be appropriated from the portion of the Boxer indemnity due Germany and Austria, and in sending the expeditionary troops to Europe the same measures shall be adopted as have been done by the United States.

KANSAS CITY WOMAN WITH BIG FEET WISHES JUDGE TAKES A TUMBLE.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 27.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, a bridal couple, quarreled within forty-eight hours after their marriage. Their troubles came before Judge Joe Keirman, of the Municipal Court.

Mrs. Miller explained that her husband made a sarcastic remark about her feet, as she slipped on the ice and snow, on a downtown corner, and the quarrel ensued. The police had to interfere.

The judge admonished them and gave some sage advice:

"Try to be more careful next time," he advised.

As the couple started to leave the judge remarked:

"Your feet look like they ought to hold you up."

"I hope you fall flat the first minute you step outside the door," replied Mrs. Miller, as, with reddening cheeks, she backed out of the court room.

Of the 31,000 New York National Guard troops at Camp Wadsworth, 19,275 have applied for insurance aggregating $162,000,000, an average of $8,431 each.

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10 lb sack corn meal	45c
5 lb sack pan cake flour	40c
Argo corn starch, pkg	5c
Argo gloss lump starch, pkg	5c
25 oz. can Layton's baking powder	18c
K C Baking powder, can	22c
Cranberries, per quart	15c
2 lbs bulk raisins	25c
Dromedary dates, pkg	20c
Arab dates, pkg	10c
Small size fresh stock prunes, per lb	10c
No. 2 size can red pitted cherries for	20c
Frontier Brand sugar corn, per can	12c
No. 2 size can Mission Bell Brand yellow free peaches for	13c
No. 2 size can Mission Bell Brand apricots	13c
Good quality evaporated peaches, lb	14c
Fancy large fresh prunes, per lb	13c
White Borax Naptha soap, cake	5c
Diamond C Brown laundry soap, cake	4c
Rub No More washing powder, per pkg	5c
Quaker Rolled Oats, pkg	28c
Fairy Soda crackers, pkg	13c

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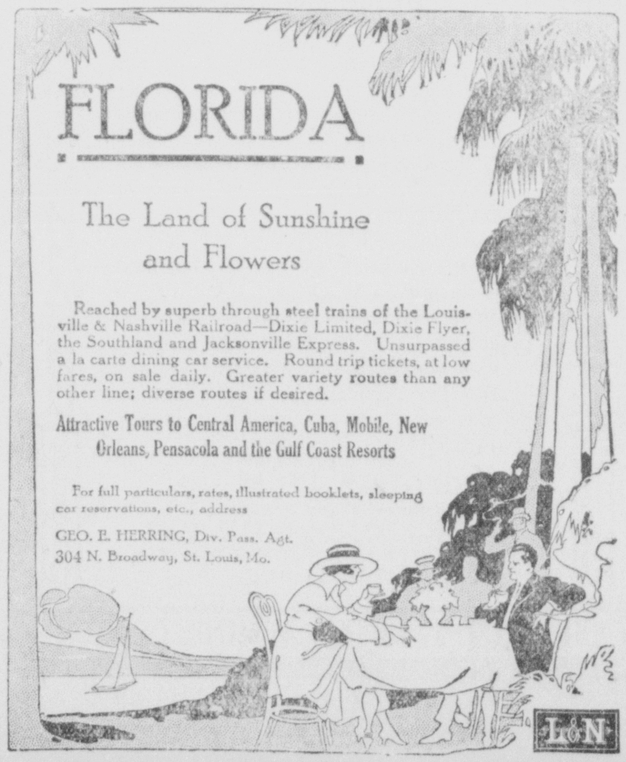
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Month-End Sale

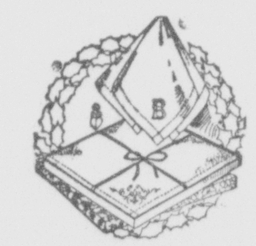
BETWEEN Christmas and New Year it is our plan, as in former years, to close out—quite regardless of pricing—all broken assortments or handled merchandise remaining from the busy pre-Christmas days.

There are many of these Christmas items that you will need before the season is over. If you received Christmas money here is the opportunity for you to invest it to a good advantage.

SPECIAL TABLES
10c 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.

In the center aisle we have assembled on tables, big assortments of various items that were left from fered at radically reduced prices, the Christmas selling. All are of-we let you be the judge of the values. See the tables at 10c, 25c, 75c and $1.00.

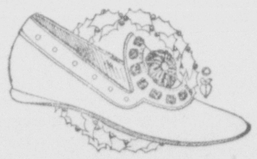
A table has been arranged at the rear of the center aisle where the higher priced items have been assembled at radical reductions for the Month-End Sale.



HANDKERCHIEFS
15c, 20c and 25c

Linen Handkerchiefs are increasing in cost, yet those offered in this Month-End Sale are very low priced. Some are slightly soiled, but a tubing will restore any of them to their former beauty. Practically all styles are included.

See the special lots at 15c, 20c, 25c



HOUSE SLIPPERS
98c and $1.39

Our stock of house slippers remaining after the Christmas selling has been assembled into two special lots for quick clean-up. They are in various colors of felt and crochet. Month-End Sale special 98c and $1.39.

COPYRIGHTED BOOKS
50c each.

Our entire stock of copyrighted books of fiction has been assembled into one lot, at each.....50c

See special tables devoted to books at Month-End Sale prices.

Watch for Red Figures on price cards

DEMOCRAT-FORUM Classified Ads

RATES IN THIS COLUMN.

Classified ads running three days or more will be inserted in this column for one-half cent per word each insertion. No ads taken for less than 25c for three days.

Ads running less than three days or interrupted insertions, 1 cent per word each insertion.

Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by 12 o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for cash with order. An extra five cents will be made on all want ads when cash does not accompany the order.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Good list of prime real estate mortgage loans for disposal, in amounts to suit investors. See us for terms. Over Nodaway Valley Bank. The Sisson Loan & Title Co. 21tf

FOR SALE—Johnson Co. white seed corn in ear, (guaranteed to give satisfactory test, ready now. Call Farmers 41-15 or Hanamo 108. M. C. Thompson. 17tf

FOR SALE—A few barrels choice Jonathan apples, sold by the barre only. J. W. Ray, Hanamo phone 5222. 15-tf

FOR SALE—A lot of next year's implements and machinery at last year's prices. W. W. Jones & Co. 26-7

FOR SALE—Small man's gray overcoat, good as new. Inquire 202 East First street. 24-27

FOR SALE—Cow and young calf, will sell separate. Dr. G. H. Leech 26-28

FOR SALE — Good set of curtains for car. Will take $3.50. See Yeo Bros. 27-29*

FOR SALE—An 83 Overland touring car with limousine or touring top; in first class condition; will sell cheap or will trade for Ford roadster or touring car. Tilson's garage. 26-28

FOR SALE—An 83 Willys-Knight roadster; in first class condition. Will sell cheap if taken this week. Tilson's garage. 26-28

FOR SALE—1917 Ford, nearly new; reason for selling—going to war. Inquire Smith Hardware Co., Maitland, Mo. 26-1

FOR SALE — Thoroughbred Poland-China boar, 18 months old. In ordinary flesh. Weighs about 380 pounds. Farmers phone 37-20. Chas. Donahue, 3 miles north of K. C. depot. 27-29

FOR SALE — Recorded Short-Horn bull calves, red roans. W. F. Kennedy, Parnell, Mo. 24-27*

FOR SALE—Household furniture, including piano. For sale this week. Call at 130 South Walnut. Lee O'Grady. 26-28*

FOR SALE — Am overstocked on 30x3½ and No. 30x3 non-skid Endurance tires. Guaranteed for 5,000 miles. 30x3½, $19.35; 30x3, $15.45. See 'em at Tilson's garage. 26-28

WANTED

WANTED—Good news correspondent at Burlington Junction, Hopkins, Skidmore, Barnard and Ravenwood. For further information write or call at Democrat-Forum office, Maryville, Mo.

WANTED—Solicitor on educational proposition, male or female salary and commission. Apply to the Business University. 27-29

WANTED — Young man for inside work with view to learning good trade; prefer that he be mechanically inclined. Inquire Commercial Club secretary, Empire Theatre building. 26-28.

WANTED—To buy feathers. Highest cash price paid. Han. 440. P. O. box 923, Maryville. 26-1*

WANTED—Young man to make himself generally useful and earn tuition fro business course in the Business University. Apply at once. 24-27

WANTED — Neat colored girl and janitress at Business University. See Prof. Padgett at Bainum Hotel. 24-27

WANTED — Stenographer or typewriter operator. Beginner acceptable if proficient. Apply to Prof. Padgett at Bainum Hotel or the Business University. 24-27

LOST

LOST — Tiger claw Masonic watch charm. Return to J. A. Ford. 24-27

LOST—Child's brown fur neck piece. Return to Frances Remus, 548 West 3rd street. 26-28

LOST—Small purse containing small sum of money, Return to Marjory Wilfley or Democrat-Forum office. 27-29

LOST—Child's brown fur neck piece. Return to Mrs. Clarence Workman or this office. 24-27*

FOR RENT

FOR RENT AT ONCE.

The beautiful new residence, Fifth and Mulberry, strictly modern. Bath upstairs and down. Oak floors and woodwork on the entire downstairs. Upper floors occupied with lady students. Must have tenant before opening of State Normal school. CHAS. JENSEN, Han. 221 or residence 372.

FOR RENT — Two nicely furnished adjoining rooms, bed room and sitting room, private entrance, in modern home, private family; good location, five minutes from square; good meals close. Address A, Democrat-Forum office.

MISCELLANEOUS

PLUMBING—We make a specialty of installing modern plumbing in old houses and remodeling old plumbing; estimates free. Standard Plumbing Co., Hanamo 46.

FOUND—Bunch of three keys, corner 4th and Buchanan. Owner may have by paying for ad at Democrat-Forum office. 27-29

FURS—We are in the market to pay you the highest price for all your furs. Satisfaction or your goods back. Also all kinds of junk. Ship or call Maryville Iron & Metal Co., at Glover & Alexander's Mill. 22-29

FOUND—Small leather pocketbook, containing sum of silver money. Owner may have by calling at Tindall & Smith's plumbing shop, porving property and paying for ad. 26-28

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Grain Market Future

Kansas City, Dec. 27.—CORN—December, $1.28; May $1.25.

Kansas City Live Stock

Kansas City, Dec. 27.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,000; steers, $10 @ $14.75; cows, $6 @ $13.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,000; top, $17.35; bulk, $16.85 @ $17.25.

Chicago Live Stock

Chicago, Dec. 27.—CATTLE — Receipts, 2,100; market slow.

HOGS—Receipts, 42,000; market 10 lower; top $17.20.

St Joseph Live Stock

St. Joseph, Dec. 27.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,200; market steady.

HOGS — Receipts, 2,000; market steady; bulk $17.05.

PRODUCE MARKET.

Springs, per lb	16c
Hens, per lb	17c
Ducks, per lb	14c
Geese, per lb	14c
Old Roosters, per lb	10c
Hides, green, per lb	12c
Eggs, per dozen	45c
Butter fat, per lb	48c

CHARLIE CHAPLIN GLAD TO LEAVE PEST HOUSE.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 27. — Charlie Chaplin has just recovered from the smallpox. He has just left the pest house. Pox-marked Charlie is not the Charlie of the movies. He is the Rev. Charlie Chaplin, negro preacher.

WANTED — Baled hay and straw, good corn or oats. Wm. Everhart.

OLD PAPERS FOR SALE—5c per bundle. Call at this office.

MARS AND DR. STORK COMBINE; NOW MALE BABIES PREDOMINATE.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 27. — That old man Mars, the god of war and destruction, has a working agreement with that humble and beloved bird, the stork, to leave boy babies instead of ltitle sisters on his visits to Denver homes since the United States entered the struggle against Germany, is claimed by those who dote on vital statistics in this city.

John W. Flintham, deputy health commissioner of Denver, has compiled figures showing that of the 1,861 children born here from January 1 to August 1, of this year, 1,141 were boys.

Several physicians maintain that male children are more numerous during war times than at any other period, and say that during the past six months five out of every eight children prefer to see suffragists increasing, Dr. born have been boys.

And, despite the fact that she would Alice T. Moore reports that of the last fifty-four babies she has ushered into the world, forty-eight have been boys.

ARMY AND NAVY PASSES UP 97 POUNDS OF "GINGER."

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 27.—"I'm going to France to fight, if I have to go by myself," says Lloyd Banks, twenty years old, five feet tall and weighing ninety-seven pounds.

Banks applied to army and navy recruiting stations in San Francisco when war was declared. Owing to his small stature he was rejected. Leaving San Francisco, he tried to enlist in other cities enroute to Portland. After many rejections he registered for the selective draft in spite of his being only twenty years old. But his number was so far down in the list he found there was no possibility of being called.

He went to Vancouver, B. C., and tried to enter the Canadian service, but met with no success. He is now trying to enlist in the Aviation Corps. Banks has two brothers and his father in the service.

JEANETTE RANKIN IS OPTIMISTIC OVER FATE OF SUFFRAGE MEASURE.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

New York, Dec. 27.—"Suffrage will pass during the present session of Congress," predicted Miss Jeanette Rankin, Montana's Congressional Representative, today.

"It will pass because of forces behind it are sufficient. It will receive the affirmative votes of forty-three New York representatives, forty additional votes from the West and seven votes from Arkansas, in which states women now vote in the primaries.

"We have ninety members, or one-fifth of the House," Miss Rankin declared. "We also have one-fourth of the Senate and are backed by one-third of the electorial vote. Of this support we are absolutely certain, and we are gaining continually the support of other members. After consideration by the suffrage committee of the House the bill will appear, by special ruling before the House in January."

A GOOD FRIEND.

A good friend stands by you when in need. Maryville people tell how Doan's Kidney Pills have stood the test. Mrs. C. McMonigal, of 206 N. Main St., Maryville, endorsed Doan's over four years ago and again confirms the story. Could you ask for more convincing testimony?

"I suffered for years from disordered kidneys and at times the pain in my back was so bad I had to scream,' says Mrs. McMonigal. "I couldn't rest well and had dizzy spells. Since I used Doan's Kidney Pills, I have felt better in every way. I can certainly recommend them." (Statement given October 2, 1912.)

On June 12, 1916, Mrs. McMonigal said, "I never hesitate to say a good word for Doan's Kidney Pills, as they have given me permanent benefit."

Price 60 cents, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. McMonigal had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

JOHNNIES KICK BECAUSE GIRLS WORK LONG HOURS.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Topeka, Kans., Dec. 27.—At last the backers of the complaints against the long hours Kansas girl clerks have to endure have been brought to light. They are not the girls' families, nor the state inspectors, nor the girls themselves, who have complained on the long hours. It is the "Johnnies" who have to stand around in front of the store while their sweethearts are inside working an extra hour or two to please some musty old store owner. It is understood here that the boys have made complaint that the girls are made to work too long, and that got the state officials started, with the result that an investigation has resulted in the shortening of hours.

Mrs. W. W. Billings arrived from her home in Chicago this morning to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Thomas. Dr. Billings, who is a member of the Medical Reserve Corps, is expected to join her later.

LIQUOR INTENDED FOR PATIENTS AND PRIVATE USE LEADS TO TWO ARRESTS

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 27.—Dr. A. E. Zell, a well-known dentist of this city, sent his wife to Kansas City to transact some business. He alleged he told her on her return to bring several quarts of liquor for their own personal use and to administer to patients of the dentist.

On the return of the wife a United States marshal found thirty quarts of liquor in her trunk. He took her at once before the United States commissioner and summoned her husband.

The doctor told the court that when he met his wife at the station he asked her what made the grips so heavy. She told him they all had their clothing in them, and she had the trunk full of booze. When he demanded the trunk from the government officer the latter arrested both.

CIRCUS ROUTING EXPERTS TO HELP R. R. PROBLEM.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

New York, Dec. 27.—Experts in the booking and routing of circuses will come to the aid of the Government in its problem of transportation for the country, it was learned here today, and the efficient methods of the show business will be applied directly to the work of moving supplies for the United States.

Nor will the circus methods to be placed on the military roster be confined to the booking of transportation. The kitchen system of the big tops will also be transferred to the army cantonments, and men who have long traveled with the circuses and established the kitchens of the outdoor organizations will shortly be enlisted into the service of the country for the purpose of standardizing the kitchens at the various army cantonments.

MANHATTAN SWEET-TOOTHS FIND A BIG CANDY SUPPLY

New York, Dec. 27.—Despite the threatened shortage of Christmas candy the Empire City experienced no such famine.

Wholesalers were well stocked and the supply not only proved sufficient for Father Knickerbocker's lusty appetite, but stores on hand are enough for long after the holidays.

Last summer candy manufacturers foresaw the coming sugar famine and prepared for it. They also made up the small, hard Christmas candies and placed them in storage. In October they devoted their attention to chocolates and bon bons. Now they have an ample supply even for the increased demands for the army and navy.

Marriage Licenses.

The following have been issued marriage licenses:

Babe E. Snyder of Bedford, Ia., and Nora Grigsby of Clearmont.

Harlan Andrew Hunter of Maryville and Eltha M. Brickley of Graham.

Another Incendiary Fire.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Ralstons, Pa., Dec. 27. — The New York American Hide & Leather Co., today suffered a fire loss of another million. The fire was of incendiary origin.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Y. Burris and children of Stanton, Nebr., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Blagg. Mrs. Burris is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Blagg.

PARIS PAPER DECLARES LA FOLLETTE IS SPEED MERCHANT IN ORATORY.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Paris, Nov. 25. (by mail).—Commenting on the rapidity of speech, a Paris daily declares that the record for parliamentarians is held by Senator La Follette, with 160 words a minute, which surpasses the speed of France's best orator, M. Rene Viviana, former Minister of Justice.

"Speaking on pacificism," asserts the journal, "Senator La Follette delivered 160 words a minute, or two words and one syllable of a third in a second. M. Viviani never spoke at a rate greater than 150 words a minute, while former Premier Briand attained a velocity of 140.

"As for M. Clemenceau, it is well known that his slow method of speaking will probably not exceed 100 or 120 words, but what he says is distinctly worth while."

TOMBSTONE INFRINGEMENT NOVEL CHARGE BY WIDOW.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

New York, Dec. 27.—Plagiarism in tombstones is the latest innovation in suits under the copyright law.

Mrs. Alice M. Long, wife of the late president of the Kalem Film Company, is the defendant in the unique case. She is alleged to have infringed on the copyright obtained by Mrs. Minnie K. Young on a memorial on the grave of her husband.

Convict Kills Prison Warden.

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Atlanta, Dec. 27. — James R Brock, deputy prison warden at the federal prison here was instantly killed today by Popoff Audtiran, a prisoner, who felled the warden with a piece of cast iron pipe

Rpulsed German Attacks.

Paris, Dec. 27.—Two powerful German attacks on the Verdun front by the Germans were repulsed, the war office announced today.

New Suits Filed.

Jacob Litteral filed suit today in the circuit court against Ovie E. Bradley to recover on a note.

Try Making Your Own Cough Remedy

You can save about $2, and have a better remedy than the ready-made kind. Easily done.

If you combined the curative properties of every known "ready-made" cough remedy, you would hardly have in them all the curative power that lies in this simple "home-made" cough syrup which takes only a few minutes to prepare.

Get from any druggist 2½ ounces of Pinex (60 cents worth), pour it into a pint bottle and fill the bottle with plain granulated sugar syrup. The total cost is about 65 cents and gives you a full pint of really better cough syrup than you could buy ready-made for $2.50. Tastes pleasant and never spoils.

This Pinex and sugar syrup preparation gets right at the cause of a cough and gives almost immediate relief. It loosens the phlegm, stops the nasty throat tickle and heals the sore, irritated membranes that line the throat, chest and bronchial tubes, so gently and easily that it is really astonishing.

A day's use will usually overcome the ordinary cough and for bronchitis, croup, whooping cough and bronchial asthma, there is nothing better.

Pinex is a most valuable concentrated compound of genuine Norway pine extract, and has been used for generations to break up severe coughs.

To avoid disappointment, be sure to ask your druggist for "2½ ounces of Pinex" with full directions, and don't accept anything else. A guarantee of absolute satisfaction or money promptly refunded, goes with this preparation. The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

PROVED ITS WORTH

(Continued from page 1.)

in finding out what his trouble is and they discover that he failed to use paragraphs where they should have been and thus obscured his meaning. Or it may be that he never closed his sentences or used capital letters or placed his modifiers in the wrong place. The best of all is the fact that the boy don't know that he is studying grammar or language, but thinks he is fitting himself to be able to make his next report on some phase of agriculture or home making clear to the rest of the class. We are not studying agriculture, grammar or arithmetic for the sake of agriculture, grammar or arithmetic, but because the things we do for ourselves comes under those subjects.

"We made the war bread last week. I have a very fine loaf of my own making that I am as proud of as a hungry Dutchman would be of a barrel of sauerkraut. Each teacher had to make a loaf before attempting it at school, and that meant that the county superintendent had to take his hand also. The first attempt did not merit exhibition, and the five teachers never will know what that first loaf of bread looked like or tasted like. Each teacher finally got a good specimen, and woe unto any boy or girl in either of those schools who did not make a loaf as good the first time he oh she tried it. They will never know how the first loaf the teacher made looked or tasted, but that is none of their business, thinks the teacher, but don't say it. She thinks it is some of her business, though, when it comes the other way."

A German aerial officer who commanded one of the ships in the last Zeppelin raid over London admits that among the explosives dropped were bombs containing malignant disease germs.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads

Listen Ladies!

MANUFACTURERS of other brands of baking powder *know* better than anyone else how good *Calumet Baking Powder* really is.

They *know* it's pure—they know it's wholesome, and when once the housewife has tried Calumet she will use nothing else; consequently they use every method to discourage the sale of it wherever possible.

Quite naturally their motive is purely a selfish one. They fear you will quit buying what they have to offer and use something that will prove a great deal better.

Calumet Baking Powder has solved the baking problems in millions of homes. It is economical to buy—economical to use and we urge the housewife who has not tried Calumet to test the truth of these statements.

If our lady demonstrator failed to reach you, buy a can now—learn the facts about Baking Powder and then decide for yourself. You can try Calumet *at our risk.*

If it is not the best Baking Powder you ever had in your kitchen it won't cost you a penny. Your grocer will refund your money. The exceptional merit of Calumet is proved daily by the efforts of competitors to prevent you from giving it a trial.

Calumet contains only such ingredients as have been approved officially by the U. S. Food Authorities.

You save when you buy it.
You save when you use it.

HIGHEST QUALITY AWARDS

THE SISSON LOAN & TITLE CO.

MARYVILLE, MISSOURI

Real Estate, Loans and Insurance

Counting Rooms Over Nodaway Valley Bank
Best Terms Ever Offered—See Us.

WHICH FOR YOU?

In selecting a friend as executor of an estate, several important things must be considered.

He must be honest; he must give a bond; he must be a good business man; he must have time to take on another business; he must be a man of sound judgment.

He must be a success in his line; he must be available on every business day; he must not spend his winters in California and his summers in the mountains. He must not die.

Can you find such a man?

Let the Farmers Trust Co. act as your executor. It can furnish every one of the above requirements.

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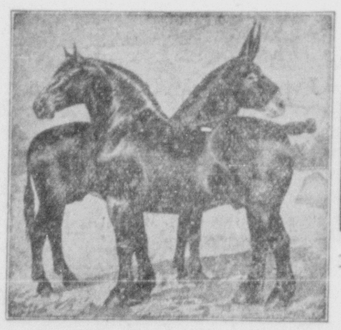

FORD

100 English Gunners—Horses and Mares. Weight 1400 to 1800; geldings, 5 to 10 years; Mares, 7 to 10. Must be sound.

100 U. S. Artillery weighing 1200 to 1400.

100 Southerners, the good kind.

100 Mules, 4 to 8 year old, 15 hands and up.

Show them to me—I have no agents.

Show me your good ones in any class. I will not buy any thin, cheap, blemished crap shooters.

I Will Positively be in

BOLCKOW, Forenoon, ... Thursday, Jan. 3
BARNARD, Afternoon ..... Thursday, Jan. 3
CLEARMONT, Forenoon ..... Friday, Jan. 4
BURLINGTON JUNCTION, Afternoon, Friday, Jan. 4
MARYVILLE—Every Saturday.

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